

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

January 7, 2005

SENT VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Patricia M. French, Esq. NiSource Corporate Services Company 300 Friberg Parkway Westborough, Massachusetts 01581

Re: Bay State Gas Company's Petition for Approval of its Gas Sales Agreement with BP

Canada Energy Company, D.T.E. 04-111

Dear Ms. French:

Enclosed please find the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's First Set of Information Requests to Bay State Gas Company in the above-referenced matter. Please submit Bay State's response to the Department on or before **5:00 p.m. Monday, January 24, 2005**. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 617-305-3611.

Sincerely,

/s/

Shaela McNulty Collins Hearing Officer

Enclosure

cc: Mary Cottrell, Secretary (with enclosure)